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In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A  
CONNECTOR ELEMENT FOR CONNECING  
FRAME PARTS AT A JOINT LOCATION IN A  
BICYCLE FRAMEWORK AND CONNECTOR  
ELEMENT OBTAINED THEREBY

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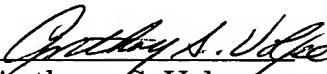
enclosed) in a counterpart foreign application.

Reference AF is identified in the Search Report as category A. The reference is provided in the Spanish language with an accompanying English language abstract.

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